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The replies filed on July 9, 2007 and September 28, 2007 are not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants have failed to adequately respond to the rejection of claims 12 and 13 (as they currently relate to new independent claims 24 and 25) under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as set forth within the sixth subparagraph (the paragraph beginning with "With respect to claims 12-17, ...") of paragraph 3 of the Office action of January 17, 2007. Specifically, it remains unclear how to interpret or determine the proper values for p and q. Applicants have removed the previously set forth requirement that component (b) has at least two hydrolyzable groups and given that p may be other than 4, it is unclear what exact structure is denoted by the formula for (b). For example, what formula results when p and q are both 2 or when p is 2 and q is 0? See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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